

and inner piston part 66 are shown at 12A and 66A. At that position, shoulders 80, 82 on the piston parts engage corresponding shoulders 84, 86, one on the cylinder and one on the outer piston part. The maximum downward stroke 90 can exceed the actuator height 92. It is clear from Fig. 2 that the inside diameter of the lower piston part 66 is more than half the inside diameter of the cylinder 60.

In The Claims:

Claim 8 (Amended Twice)

8. Apparatus for applying compressions to the chest of a patient to stimulate blood circulation, comprising:

an energizable compressor assembly which includes an actuator that has a vertical axis that extends perpendicular to the patient's chest, and a pressing member for pressing against the patient;

a torso wrap that couples to said actuator and that wraps to the back of the patient, so downward forces of the pressing member against the patient's chest are withstood by upward forces applied to the patient's back;

a stabilizer that includes a plurality of leg portions that each has an inner end connected to said actuator and an outer end that is positioned to press against the front of the patient, with said outer ends spaced about said axis to minimize tilt of the actuator with respect to the patient's front;

said outer ends of said stabilizer leg portions are spaced further from said axis than any part of said pressing member that presses against the patient's chest, said outer ends including ends that lie respectively closer to the head and legs of the patient than said pressing member and ends that lie closer to opposite sides of the patient than said pressing member.

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Claim 13 (Amended Once)

5 13. Apparatus for applying compressions to the chest of a patient to stimulate blood circulation, comprising:

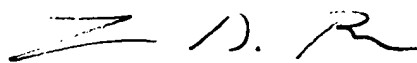
an energizable compressor assembly which includes an energizable actuator that has a pressing member that is pushed against a chest location on the patient's chest;

10 a torso wrap that couples to said actuator and that wraps to the back of the patient, so downward forces of the pressing member against the patient's chest are withstood by upward forces applied to the patient's back;

15 a stabilizer that includes a plurality of leg portions that each has an inner end connected to said actuator and an outer end that is positioned to press against the front of the patient, with said outer ends spaced about said axis to minimize tilt of the actuator vertical axis;

said pressing member having an axis and said stabilizer leg portion outer ends being spaced further from said axis than said presser in every horizontal direction to limit tilt of the compressor assembly in every tilt direction.

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